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SUBJECT:

Picco Resins Landfill Site

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Jim Miller, Project Officer (3HW20) Picco Resins Landfill Site

I have reviewed the final work plan for the Picco Resins Landfill Site (Allegheny County, PA) and provide the following comments.

The work plan does not provide detailed scope of work related to tracing potential contaminants to the receiving stream and eventually Monongahela River. The work plan does, however, state that types of contaminants offsite and possible pathways and receptors will be identified. I presume more detailed scope of work describing these investigations will be provided after the initial investigation. Once contaminants are identified, future studies should include evaluation of the contaminants with water quality criteria, acute and chronic toxicity tests and bioaccumulation potentials. If the contaminants are of significant level, assessment should be made of stream biota and biotoxicity tests may be required.

If you have any questions concerning these comments, please advise.

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